



What is an Ozone Alert?

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Ozone Alerts are a proactive measure to keep ozone levels low in Wichita and surrounding areas.

Why?

Ozone Alerts are intended to inform Wichita and the surrounding Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) of potentially high ozone so they can:

- Plan “everyday actions” that can reduce ozone-forming emissions; and avoid high ozone levels; and
- Take precautions to avoid potential harmful effects of ozone.

How?

Ozone Alerts are circulated through multiple channels including:

- Email distribution – sign up at www.wichita.gov/ozone;
- 10 a.m. City of Wichita Public Safety Briefing;
- City of Wichita social media sites at Facebook and Twitter; and
- BeAirAwareKS Twitter and Instagram.

When?

Ozone Alerts are issued when meteorological and environmental conditions indicate ozone levels could be high the following day. Conditions that can cause high ozone levels include:

- High temperatures;
- Increased amounts of ozone on preceding days;
- High ozone upwind; and
- High-wind conditions.

Conclusion

Ozone Alerts should encourage the community to plan **Everyday Actions** to eliminate ozone forming emissions and reduce the possibility for ozone levels to be high.

Encouraging community members to sign up for Ozone Alerts and reinforcing the list of Everyday Actions are invaluable ways to help.

